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EDITORIAL OPINION

THE GREATNESS OF LINCOLN

The greatness of Abraham Lincoln becomes more apparent with each passing year. As we observe on Saturday the birthday anniversary of the fabulous War President, we are reading of wealth of material about his life. His is a towering figure, and for generations to come we will retell the story of the homely who struggled through to hold the Union togetehr.

The true character of a man is beat out upon the hot anvil of what he is called upon to cope with. A President, for example, must be considered by historians, in the light of what problems he had to face. In that category, we are convinced had the toughest problems of any of our Presidents. He had infinitely more on his hands that winning back the Seceding States. The North was far from united. The West had not been thoroughly won. His cabinet was divided: nowhere but within his own great soul did he found counsel for the ordeals he faced. That he was able to persevere where others would have given up is a measure of his greatness.

America has produced more brilliant men. Lincoln was no Jefferson Hamilton or Franklin. America has produced more spectacular characters. Lincoln was no Teddy or F. D. Roosevelt. America has produced more scholarly men, greater military leaders, statesmen and orators. But Lincoln was our greatest human being, our most rugged President, the most typical American.

THE EIGHTY-FIVE CENT DOLLAR

(Wall Street Journal)

Mrs. Ruth Sherrill, vice president of The First National Bank in Memphis, said in a speech there the other day that "men get their pictures on money, but women get their hands on it." We know of no man who would wish to question that frank appraisal.

But when Mrs. Sherrill says, as she said in the same speech, that women spend 85 per cent of the consumer dollar, we would like to ask a question.

What happened at our house to that other fifteen cents?

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THE 'GREAT ADVENTURE'

(California Farmer)

Rural America is as badly in need of a spiritual rebirth as it is in need of greater knowledge of the science of soil cultivation, a leading farm editor told the National Association of County 4-H Club Agents meeting in Chicago in November.

"We must learn to love the land as well as use it," Paul C. Johnson, editor of Prairie Farmer and president of American Country Life Association, declared. He believes farmers must set aside materialism as their basic purpose and begin to see their responsibility as fitting into a larger purpose...."

The great weakness of our free enterprise system is that most of its goals are materialistic in nature. As ever improving standard of living based on higher income will yield certain nonmaterial byproducts, such as better education, better health, maybe more leisure time. But for a great many people, farmers not excepted, it becomes a rat-race, a chain reaction of creating material wants and then trying to satisfy them. There is no true happiness traveling this dead-end road, as we can see from looking around us.

Why have we done so well in production of food and so poorly in the production of sentiments and traditions that constitute the art of rural living? Our churches should hold an important key, but their influence in the rural field appears to have declined. Our universities and lesser schools have vast programs, but few clear ideas. Our extension services have been successful in promoting scientific agriculture but weak in promoting the art of graceful living.

If our principal satisfactions lie beyond material things, it will be easier to convert energy and productive power, over and beyond that needed for a satisfactory standard of living, into land conservation for the future or the manufacture of neighborliness and cultural satisfactions.

There should be something different about living in the country whether or not you are by vocation a tiller of the soil. Country life should give a wider choice as to how and where each person may seek his particular success in life. It should give us more leisure and greater freedom of choice in using it. It should permit better development of family solidarity. It should give us a better chance to study the footprints of God, if for no other reason than the ground is not so cluttered with footprints of frantic people. We should, in the country, be producing more than our share of music, painting, sculpture, all the fine arts. The brotherhood of man should have its greatest flowering here.

In this world of Higher Purpose there are many mansions. We know them by name, but they will never mean much to us unless we make a personal exploration.

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Brotherhood of man. We have talked a lot about this subject lately. 4-H adopted it as a major aim, more particularly through its foreign exchange program. Does the brotherhood of man mean equal opportunity for all, or does it mean alms for the poor? Do we want our brothers to be well fed and obedient to us like our livestock, or do we want them to be free?

Freedom. What is it anyway? Freedom is a need of the soul, not of the body. Freedom is the opportunity to say and do what one's wisdom and conscience dictate. Freedom is from God, not from government. Therefore it sometimes becomes necessary to defend it against government. The framers of the American Constitution recognized the sovereignty of God, and so they established the government of the United States "under God."

In the political world we are tempted to spend a great deal of time and effort censoring out the bad, when we should be multiplying the good with such vigor and enthusiasm it will crowd out the bad as a healthy vigorous plant crowds out a weed.

Without wisdom the people perish. Without courage, without an adventurous spirit, there can be no progress. No one has any real fear. But for a great many people, farmers not excepted, it becomes a rat-race, a chain reaction of creating material wants and then trying to satisfy them. There is no true happiness traveling this dead-end road, as we can see from looking around us.

FREEDOM TO SHOP AROUND

(Contributed)

A Canadian economist, Hart Buck of the Bank of Toronto, recently made an address entitled "Freedom to Shop Around." In the course of it he said, "Competition is nothing but freedom looked at upside down. In a market where buyers are free to shop around, sellers must outdo each other to get and keep customers. Through competition there is produced the maximum of goods and services that the public wants most. Competition does not mean 'dog eat dog.' Instead, it is the necessary preface to cooperation. Competition helps us to decide with whom we can best cooperate in production."

Freedom to shop around is found at all the levels of economic activity. A business, for instance, buys the supplies and services it needs from other businesses which offer the best values. And every housewife exercises her freedom to shop around every day. When she goes out to buy food or clothes or household wares or anything else, she patronizes those merchants who in her opinion, will give her the most for the dollar. They may be chain stores or independent stores: they may be large or small. But competition forces all of them to offer every inducement they can—price, service, quality, more compelling advertising—to attract her trade.

It is competition that holds qualities up and prices down, and that forces the businessman to fight an endless war against waste and unavoidable expense. Yes, competition is "freedom looked at upside down"—the other side of the coin. We can't prize it too highly.

PROGRESS REPORT ON THE ATOM

(Washington Evening Star)

The Atomic Energy Commission's 17th semiannual report to Congress is reassuring in all particulars. Of course, as far as the hydrogen bomb and A-weapons are concerned, it displays the agency's characteristic and necessary reticence, but it says enough to make clear that significant progress continues in terms of both variety of design and volume of production. As for non-military developments, the AEC's newest account of its stewardship leaves no room for doubt that the nation, together with the world at large, has good reason to be encouraged by the steady gains being achieved in the benign uses of the atom.

In fact, according to the report, the event of greatest significance to the AEC's program during the past six months was basically non-military in character—namely, adoption by Congress of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954. This measure, replacing the outmoded original law of 1946, has not altered the agency's paramount objective, which is "to make the maximum contribution to the common defense and security." But it has put added emphasis, to a very large and important degree, on the development of nuclear energy for beneficent purposes. And to promote such development here at home, it has provided for much wider participation by private enterprise, and at the same time, to speed up progress abroad, it has paved the way for far more international cooperation than ever before—cooperation of a sort that can accomplish wonders with projects like President Eisenhow's atoms-for-peace plan.

One has only to read the AEC's latest report to visualize what some of these wonders can be—tremendous new discoveries in pure physical research and an abundance of nuclear energy for industry, for the economic betterment of man everywhere, for immense gains on farms and in cities, for great victories in the war against disease and for numerous other blessings that were once only wild dreams but are now within the world's reach. Given peace, an enduring peace, this promise can be fulfilled in such a way as to remove all fear about what the atom can do when it is harnessed for evil.

Cooking With Microwaves

Peek into the future and consider the electronic oven. With it you can fry fish fillets in 30 seconds, bake potatoes in 2 minutes, broil lobsters in 5 minutes. Left-over spaghetti is steaming hot in 15 seconds. A roast takes only 20 minutes.

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ENFORCEMENT OF STATE GAME LAWS IS NOW STEADILY INCREASING

While arrests and convictions for game and fish law violations have been steadily increasing from year to year this is hardly a true test of the effectiveness of the law enforcement staff of the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries. Hunters and anglers also are increasing in numbers. Greater emphasis is placed upon law enforcement than ever before.

Marked improvement has been shown in recent years in public cooperation with the game wardens throughout the state. This is due to the employment of generally better men on the law enforcement staff and added emphasis upon public relations in their work. A warden can be far more effective if he has the respect and active help of the people in his area.

There is no telling how many potential violators are mending their ways, not only because of fear of detection, but because of the attitude of their neighbors. The home rules at Richmond is constantly receiving words of commendation for individual game wardens, and more and more citizens are actively helping them in the performance of their duties.

For years the Commission has been embarrassed over laxity in enforcement of the Federal waterfowl regulations and inability of the public to understand the state's responsibility in regard to them. Those who administer the Game Protection Fund have to see that these monies are spent equitably.

Waterfowl gunners in recent years have never constituted more than five per cent of the licensed hunters of the state. Pretty much the same ratio prevails in other states along the Atlantic. Equipment and manpower for patrolling these waters are expensive and state game commissions have had to appropriate available funds regularly.

The United States Fish and Wildlife Service fixes the regulations by which waterfowl may be taken by the hunters and the duty of enforcing these regulations rests primarily upon the Federal authorities. The Commission requires its wardens to enforce the migratory waterfowl laws pertaining to seasons and bag limits only. The warden must render much incidental service in helping the Federal authorities in the enforcement of other Federal laws.

Enforcement of state laws against hunting trespass is a duty of the state enforcement officers, for they apply on water as well as on land. With this end in view, more and more emphasis is being placed upon this duty of the wardens with the result that arrests are increasing in numbers annually for this offense. With better means of communication and of transportation, and with stricter supervision from the game office, there can be no doubt but effectiveness of the enforcement personnel in the field is steadily gathering ground.

Chick Chats

Proper Feeding of Baby Chicks

One of the most important parts of raising poultry has to do with feeding. It pays to get a good start with your baby chick feeding program.

As soon as your baby chicks arrive from the hatchery they'll be ready to eat. Regardless of how long they have been out of the incubator there is no reason to wait.

Chicks do not all hatch at the same time and, even though they are just out of the incubator, some will be 24 hours old or older and will be hungry. Those that have not been hatched as long will not be as hungry and will eat very little until they need it.

Afternoon Moving

It's a good plan to move your chicks to the brooder house in the afternoon. In this way, they'll have a little time to eat, plus a night's sleep before their first full day of activity.

For the first few days, put the feed on egg case flats. The flats are rough and will not become slippery. The feed will settle into the cups, making an excellent place for the chicks to find their first mouthfuls. If egg case flats are not available, newspapers or other types of paper can be used successfully.

Feed hoppers should be supplied on the first day so that chicks will become accustomed to hopper feeding as early as possible. Starting on the fourth day, give some sort of grit to chicks. This aids digestion.

Feeding Methods

Some poultry raisers prefer to feed one-half chick scratch and one-half starting mash the first day or two to help keep chicks from pasting up. Poultrymen are urged not to feed only scratch at first because chicks need the vitamins and minerals provided by the mash. The grower can feed starting mash without scratch the first six weeks. After that, some grain may be fed.

It is advisable to give chicks warmed drinking water the first day or so, spacing water containers evenly around the hover.

Since chicks grow and feather out better in cool room temperature, it is best to move them away from the heating unit gradually to the cooler part of the brooder house.

KILL WILD GARLIC NOW

Late winter is a good time to kill wild garlic (or wild onions) with 2,4-D sprays, says John M. Amos, weed specialist at VPI.

Regardless of where the weed is growing, any spray control program should be undertaken before new bulblets begin to form in the soil. Bublets start forming in late March or early April. The temperature when spraying should be 60 degrees F. or above for best results.

In most cases where the garlic is growing in lawns or grass mixtures, 2,4-D ester at 2 to 2½ pounds acid equivalent per acre will give good results. Lower dosages and certain precautions must be taken when 2,4-D is applied to clover-grass pastures.

A leaflet on the control of wild garlic in different situations and crops is available from county agents or from the VPI Agricultural Extension Service, Blacksburg.

FRUIT NURSERY STOCK LIMITED THIS YEAR

You may have a hard time finding fruit planting stock this year.

Horticulturists at VPI say that drouth and unfavorable conditions during the past two seasons have resulted in smaller numbers of trees available for planting this winter.

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PLACE ORDERS EARLY FOR BABY CHICKS

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Poultry specialists at VPI remind farmers that it takes from five to seven months to grow baby chicks to maturity. Therefore, to be laying eggs in August or September, chicks should be hatched in March or early April — the heavy breeds in March and the Leghorn or other light breeds in April.

The two popular types of chickens in Virginia are the special egg breeds, such as Leghorn; and the dual-purpose (both meat and eggs) such as New Hampshire and Plymouth Rock.

Quality in chicks has received considerable attention in Virginia. Quality in chicks refers to the health and breeding back of them. Rapid feathering, early maturing, production, and to some extent, livability, are inherited characteristics. These factors should be considered when buying chicks.

Most Virginia hatcheries are carrying out a health—and breed — improvement program supervised by the State and U. S. Departments of Agriculture. Such hatcheries are known as "Virginia U. S. Supervised" or "Certified." A list of these hatcheries is available from county agents or from the State Division of Markets in Richmond.

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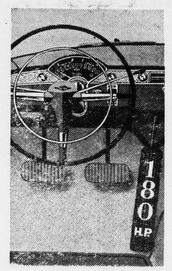

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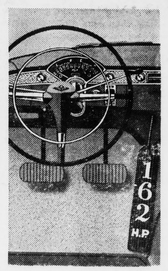

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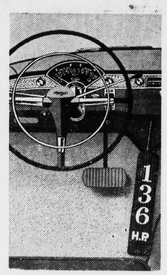

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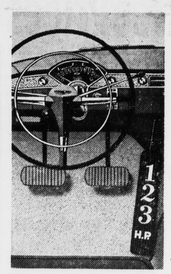

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